

GERMAN SPIES WORK TO KEEP BACK ARMS

Imperial Government Said to Be Behind Every Movement of Great Machine.

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believed to have been made to the Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Company and Winchester Repeating Arms Company.

2. Efforts to tie up the plants making war materials by placing large orders for a long time ahead. These efforts, the Press learned, have been repeatedly made by German agents representing themselves as purchasers for the allies.

3. Efforts to sidetrack or destroy large shipments of war materials intended for the allies. This was done by placing orders for the materials, have them brought to this city and then either destroy them or place them in storage. In every case, so far as the Press could learn, this plan was frustrated by the discovery of the agent's real identity.

4. Efforts to stir up strikes among the workers of plants engaged in the manufacture of war materials and also to cause friction among the sailors and longshoremen of shipping companies engaged in sending supplies to the allies. Several recent outbreaks were traced to German sentiment, but the plan as a whole is believed to have failed.

5. Efforts to induce shipping companies here to run the English blockade with vessels loaded with arms and munitions for Germany. In one case, it was learned, a ship owner was offered \$300,000 for the use of a vessel in addition to freight charges.

6. The recent launching of campaigns to stop the sale of arms. These campaigns are being conducted by newly formed organizations which are flooding the country with posters and other literature calling on citizens to protest to President Wilson. These movements are variously styled peace movements, neutrality movements, humanity movements, but they all draw their inspiration from a common source.

Existence Long Suspected.
The existence in this country of a secret but powerful and widely extended German organization, acting under the direction of agents who have their headquarters in this city and in Washington, has been suspected for many months, but recent pro-German activities have furnished conclusive proof, in the opinion of Government officials and others who have followed the situation closely.

Investigation has confirmed this impression. In dozens of ways the secret machine has betrayed its presence from time to time. Any one who took the trouble to put two and two together could not escape the conclusion that the various pro-German, neutrality, peace and humanity movements, and open, had their origin in one common source.

This organization of this propaganda was begun here long before the beginning of the European war, so that when the conflict finally began Germany had the secret and active support of a large number of other countries in the world has been represented here by so powerful and so well-oiled a machine.

Result of German Foresight.
Germany foresaw the coming of the war, as did nearly every other European government, but she also foresaw the important part which the United States was to play in the game. With that foresight she arrived on the ground early, and so far as the United States was concerned she had the jump on them from the start.

Base of operation were established in this city, in Washington, in St. Louis, Chicago, New Orleans, San Francisco, and Seattle. All of these bases were and are constantly in close touch with one another, and with the central headquarters in this city. From the first the work has been carried on in such a way as to give the German embassy in Washington at all times the chance to disclaim responsibility for its operations.

The chief center of operation is in a building in the financial district in this city, but there are at least three other headquarters here, each one in charge of a special branch of the "work."

The active organizers of the system most of whom are still in the country, whose names do not appear in the diplomatic lists either as attaches or in any other official capacity. There were more than a score of these unlisted officers here at the outbreak of the war and at the present time there are about twelve.

Continental Spy System.
The machine was organized in a way with which these officers had long been familiar, on the lines of the continental spy system. This was the first time it had ever been introduced into America. The Government here was entirely unsuspecting, and probably would not have felt justified in interfering even if it had known what was going on. Consequently the work of putting the machine into working shape proceeded entirely without molestation.

The wires were all laid and in operation early last summer. Its influence touched practically every intimate of American life, financial, industrial, governmental, and educational. Force organizations, humanity leagues, independence societies, fair play societies and societies for the spread of better information about Germany spread through the country like a fever. Tons of pamphlets were issued, protest meetings were held and resolutions passed by the hundreds. At the same time the societies began to exert their influence on Senators, Congressmen, members of State legislatures and on a large number of public officials whose word was of an account.

As part of the same campaign, distinguished German Dr. Bernhard Dernburg suddenly appeared in this country and began to explain from the philosophical and historical standpoint Germany's position in relation to the rest of the world.

From an excellent source it is learned that the first scheme contemplated by the machine was to purchase outright all the factories and plants in this country capable of turning out arms and munitions. Tentative negotiations were opened in June or July of last year for the purpose of getting the estimate of the cost. The figure finally arrived at, \$500,000,000, staggered the prospective purchasers.

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War Hospital at Paignton, England, Has Lost Only Five of Its 1,500 Soldier Patients.

MUNSEY WARD IS LARGEST

Sir William Osler Aids Staff.
Miss Laurette Taylor, Noted Actress, Praises Work.

LONDON, June 12.—All England is showering praise on the American Women's War Hospital in Paignton, Devon.

King George and Queen Mary have taken a keen interest in its work. So efficient have been its surgeons and nurses that of almost 1,500 patients since the conflict started only five have died. Transferred into a hospital from the painful residence of Paris Singer, the institution is ideal in its surroundings and comforts. Every wounded Tommy Atkins prays he'll be sent to the American Women's War Hospital.

At a meeting held under the auspices of 300 American women in this city just after the war began Singer announced that because it was situated in a healthful place he would turn over his magnificent home for hospital use. By way of good measure he added a check for \$25,000. Lady Paget, Lady Lowther, the Duchess of Marlborough and Mrs. Harcourt were active in organizing work. To date almost \$300,000 has been contributed to the maintenance of the hospital.

Sir William Osler on Staff.
The war office accepted the hospital readily and appointed Lieutenant Colonel Gunning as military commandant and Sir William Osler as consulting physician.

Most of the gifts come from Americans. The final equipment came with the arrival of the American Red Cross ship, when one of the units was transferred to Paignton and placed in charge of the Munsey ward, the gift of Frank A. Munsey. It is the largest ward in the hospital, containing sixty-four beds. Mr. Munsey contributed \$25,000 for its equipment and maintenance. The unit comprises three surgeons and twelve nurses, and includes fifty tons of medical and surgical stores.

Score of prominent American women have gone all the way from London to Paignton to see the hospital. All have been enthusiastic in its praise. Laurette Taylor, the actress, in an interview, warmly praised the institution's work.

A Wonderful Institution.
"It's simply wonderful," she said. "I've had the privilege of visiting the hospital. It's American throughout and it has won the applause of every Tommy Atkins. If any multi-millionaire in New York's outlying districts has a home that equals this property in magnificence, in grandeur, beauty, and modern equipment, I have yet to know of it. It's having been set forth pictorially in the magazines and I read them all."

"Most of the gifts have been from Americans. King George and Queen Mary visited the hospital. At Christmas King George sent enough presents for all the wounded Tommies there. And Queen Mary sent warm garments. Supplies of game are coming in all the time from American well-wishers."

"The women have done wonderful peccative purchases, and the plan was dropped. Since then any number of schemes have been tried by German agents to sidetrack war supplies destined for the allies. One of the commonest methods, one which soon became familiar to the arms handling war orders for the allies, was for a German agent to pose as a purchaser for the allies.

These pretended purchasers for the allies generally gave a French-sounding name and a plausible story. They were French accents often dropping into French phrases as if by habit. In every case the supposed purchaser vanished after leaving a card and a letterhead had been exposed.

A prominent member of the firm, who gave this information, had had dealings with the German organization in this country. On my return he handed me a list of German officers who had been watching my movements.

"On a trip to Chicago, the informant said, he noticed that he was being followed by a group of persons who also stopped in the same hotel. He was registered as 'Captain—'."

"One day I noticed the individual in close conversation with the telegraph operator," he continued. "Afterward I learned from the operator, a girl, that he had tried to bribe her to let him see the message I was sending. I also found out in another way that this man was a German agent and that he had been in touch with the embassy in Washington."

Most to Twenty Firms.
A recapitulation of the immense orders for war material placed by the allies in this country shows that nearly a billion dollars' worth—the exact figures being \$943,000,000—has gone to the biggest manufacturing concerns in the United States. The remaining half billion dollars has been distributed among the smaller concerns, in one case scaling down to a \$27,000 order.

Figures procured from Wall Street men who are in close touch with the situation show that the Bridgeport Arms Company of Bridgeport, Conn., recently organized, has received the largest order of any concern in the United States. This is for England for \$38,000,000.

The Bethlehem Electric Company and the General Electric Company have received the next largest orders, with \$150,000,000 and \$100,000,000, respectively. The other orders received by the twelve leading concerns range from \$10,000,000 each to the Savage Arms Company and the Winchester Arms Company, to \$3,000,000 to the Canadian Car and Foundry Company.

Wall Street's estimate of a billion and a half includes also orders received by the various automobile manufacturers of the United States. These orders are known to have been large, although many of the leading plants have been reticent about divulging any actual figures.

The Locomobile Company, of Bridgeport, Conn., however, is known to have received an order for \$5,000,000 worth of



LAURETTE TAYLOR.
Recent picture of noted actress who praises American Women's Hospital at Paignton, England.

things in the hospital's behalf. They had planned to buy an ambulance ship for the admiralty. Instead, they gave six motor ambulances on learning they were needed more urgently. A seventh ambulance was given later. It is in northern France now. On it is painted 'Friends in Boston, U. S. A.'

Queen Visited Wounded.
"In my mind, Queen Mary's visit was a very fine thing for her to do, and a still finer thing for these earnestly working American women to have as a reward. It's a long, hard railway journey from London to Paignton, and there are many war hospitals that Queen Mary might have visited."

"One of the surgeons took me through the hospital. He stopped at the bedside of a man temporarily blinded by a shell. The soldier was despondent and full of dread that he would not see again. The surgeon cheered him up splendidly. He's going to have his sight back, too."

"A soldier was brought to this hospital so badly wounded he did not recover consciousness until he was in the ward. When he came to and began to take note of his surroundings he called to a nurse."

"Where am I?" he asked.
"In a hospital," she replied.
"Oh, I thought I was in Heaven."

"That's the way they do things in Paignton. Is it any wonder that patients and visitors are one in their gratitude to the American women who have made possible this paradise?"

Accommodations at present include 250 beds, besides isolation huts for use in the event of a smallpox epidemic. About \$10,000 a month to maintain the hospital.

motor trucks and touring cars from the Russian and other allied governments, and it is believed that many other plants have received similar or even larger orders.

The estimate includes too, the orders for submarines and aeroplanes, which are built by a few of the twenty companies listed. Most of these concerns are devoting their energies to making cartridges, shells, rifles, etc.

According to the figures compiled by the American Automobile Association more than \$6,000,000 worth of automobiles and motor trucks were exported from the port of New York during April, breaking all existing records for one month's shipment. The United Kingdom took 551 vehicles, valued at \$1,156,061, and other countries took 2,570 machines, worth \$1,538,182.

In April a year ago the exports from New York totaled 2,000 cars, valued at \$1,533,306, which is about one-fourth of this year's record.

What is said to be the largest single shipment of automobiles ever made arrived in New York last week for the C. T. Silver Motor Company from the Whip-Overland plant in Toledo.

It consisted of 25 Overland cars valued at more than one-third of a million dollars. One hundred and twenty-five freight cars were required to transport the quarter from end to end were required to haul this load east.

NDW YORK, June 12.—How to get a full-sized Red Cross wagon, with pent, a wireless set, a three-inch field piece with two limbers, a Benet-Mercier machine gun, a complete first-aid hospital outfit, a "dog" tent, a heliograph, an airplane, a torpedo, a cavalry saddle and a rack of military rifles into a medium sized Louisa XIV ballroom is the problem confronting officials of the National Society League.

The ballroom is in the Hotel Astor, where tomorrow there will begin a two-day "peace and preparation conference" to be held under the auspices of the league.

The exhibition of the munitions of war will be in connection with the conference. There will be placards all over the walls, giving out such warnings as these:

"We possess less than half of the needed field militia and batteries. What we have would require three months' training."

"It would take thirty days to con-

CAPITAL TO OBSERVE FLAG DAY TOMORROW

President Wilson Will Speak at Treasury Department—Many Exercises to Be Held.

All Washington, from the President to the youngest pupile in kindergartens will pause in their work tomorrow to honor the Stars and Stripes, and to celebrate in fitting manner the creation of the flag.

In nearly all Government departments, in all the schools and in many churches, Flag Day exercises will be held in the early afternoon and evening.

Many Government officials, emulating the example of President Wilson, who will speak at the Treasury Department, will make addresses at various exercises.

National interest centers in the ceremonies to be held under the south portico of the Treasury building, where the President will be the only speaker, and where he will make his first public address since the split in his Cabinet.

Secretary McAdoo will preside, and the exercises will be simple. Music will be furnished by the Marine Band, with Leader William H. Santomon, directing. The exercises will begin promptly at noon, with the playing of the "Stars and Stripes" by the band. A trained chorus of 500 voices, under direction of Donald B. McLeod, will sing the "March of the Nations" and "America."

Dockery to Speak.
Secretary Lane will preside at the exercises to be held in the open courtyard of the Interior Department building at 1 o'clock. Short addresses will be made by representatives of each Bureau of the Department, and there will be patriotic music and songs.

As has been the custom for many years, the exercises at the Postoffice Department will be held in the great inner courtyard. A special platform has been erected. The courtyard has been decorated with State flags, and a great banner hangs from the roof in the center of the courtyard. The Assistant Postmaster General Dockery will be the speaker.

The Bureau of Engraving, each press will be decorated with a small American flag, and work will be suspended at 2 o'clock, while simple exercises are held. Similar exercises will be held at one o'clock in the evening for the night shift.

Service at Church of Our Father.
The observance by the patriotic societies will center in the celebration at the Church of Our Father tomorrow night under the auspices of the Department of the Potomac Woman's Relief Corps. The program is under the direction of Mary Van Ness Fauth, patriotic instructor.

Addresses will be made by Carl S. rooman, Assistant Secretary of Agriculture; Commissioners of Pensions Saltzgarber; Mrs. Mamie Dorey, department president; Mrs. Lida Oldroyd, past national junior vice president, and Mrs. Isabella Worrell Ball. The program includes many musical selections and the singing of patriotic songs.

The Eiks will hold their annual Flag Day observance this evening in Eiks Hall.

Exercises will be held for children at the Metropolitan Memorial M. E. Church tomorrow.

centrate our 30,000 effective regulars and our 90,000 effective militia."
"Not for a year and a half after the enemy landed could we produce the necessary field artillery, ammunition trains and ammunition."

In case of invasion we would need 300,000 stationary volunteers, coast guards, troops to guard the approaches to our city, and coast defense work, etc."

"We have practically no reserve of uniforms, tents, transportation equipment and other military supplies."

"We have only one-half of the force necessary to man the coast fortifications with even one relief."

"The possession by the United States of a powerful and well-balanced navy fully equipped, manned, in constant training and with a reserve of ships and men capable of swift mobilization, would be an absolute insurance against war."

if, and only so long as, that navy yard maintained at a certain standard of strength with regard to its possible opponents."

"The question of the strength of a navy is a purely relative one. Our navy is strong or weak, solely in its relation to the strength or weakness of the navies of our possible competitors."

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